

CHILD-BRIDE FREED

Judge Scores Those Who Aided in Ceremony.

CALLS IT A SHAM MARRIAGE

Forms of Law Used in Wedding of Targaronia Girl to Subversive Other Aims-Bride Is Sent to the House of the Good Shepherd by the Court. Broke Down and Wept Bitterly.

Special to The Washington Herald. Baltimore, Md., Nov. 27.—After a spirited trial, involving many unusual legal points, Annie E. Targaronia, the fourteen-year-old girl who was married to Arthur J. Frost, of Irvington, twenty-two years old, on last Tuesday evening, was committed to the House of the Good Shepherd to-day by Judge Stockbridge on a writ of habeas corpus sworn out by her father, Peter Targaronia.

Judge Stockbridge pronounced the marriage ceremony the merest mockery and sham, declaring that the forms of law were used to subvert other purposes than those pretended.

The Targaronia girl, accompanied by her husband, her mother, Catherine Targaronia, and other friends, appeared in court this morning and admitted that she had said she did not know the real name of her husband at the time of her marriage. She learned his proper name was Frost after the marriage, she said, and since the ceremony was performed she has been living at 725 West Fayette street, Frost. It was stated, lives at 238 Loudon avenue.

One of the most unbecoming spectators at the hearing was Frost himself. When he took the stand he said he was employed and received a salary of \$9 a week. He testified that he married the child at the instigation of her mother. He added, however, that she married him of her own free will.

Sergt. Russell and Patrolmen Harrison and Farrell, of the Western district, testified that for the last year and a half Frost has been living in a questionable neighborhood, where the girl's mother lives. The girl, they said, was recently released from St. Mary's Orphan Asylum, at Roland Park.

Judge Stockbridge pronounced the case an unusual one, inasmuch as the child was married and apparently in the absolute custody of her husband. Section 20, Article 4, of the Code, however, provides, he said, that whenever a person is brought into court on a writ of habeas corpus, even in private custody, the judge should be controlled by the best interest of the person concerned. He declared the marriage a mockery, and said that in the circumstances he would commit the child to the institution pending a further order of the court.

Child-bride in Tears. When sentence was passed the little girl, sitting beside her husband, broke down and wept bitterly, while Frost, on the other hand, remained apparently disinterested, not even deigning to cast a look at his weeping child-bride.

Later Frost inquired if his marriage had been annulled.

"I can get a divorce, anyhow, can't I?" he asked, in an angry tone of voice. "I've outlined another plan of action, but I guess I won't say what it is at present. By the way, I don't have to pay her board while she's in that place, do I?" Then he left the courthouse.

BANK STOCK SALE REPORTED.

Believed that Baltimore Surety Company Has Changed Hands. Baltimore, Md., Nov. 27.—There was a persistent rumor in financial circles to-day to the effect that the Commercial and Farmers' National Bank has sold its holdings in the United Surety Company. Directors of the bank declined to discuss the matter.

One of the reports heard to-day connected the name of Benjamin B. Baker, president of the Baltimore Trust and Guarantee Company, with the deal. It was said that Mr. Baker represented another surety company. Mr. Baker denied the report.

Mr. Baker, however, has taken an interest in the surety company ever since the resignation of Olin Bryan as president, several weeks ago.

Mr. Walter M. Smith, president of the Commercial and Farmers' National Bank, would neither deny nor affirm the rumor. Coincidentally with the rumor came a call for a special meeting of the stockholders of the United Surety Company on Thursday, December 6, at 3 p. m.

FORT M'HENRY IS NEEDED.

Army Officers Say Works Have Value as Inner Defense for City. Special to The Washington Herald. Baltimore, Nov. 27.—Army men who have served at Fort M'Henry almost without exception are strongly opposed to the post being turned over to the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Agricultural Department to be used as a cattle pen. Every officer who has had command of the post in late years is unalterably opposed to such action.

They believe that the government should retain the old fort as an army post for practical reasons as well as for sentimental ones. Time and time again each one of them has pointed out the necessity of retaining it as an inner line of defense against small vessels which might slip by the outer forts during the confusion of a battle.

Instructor's Apartments Robbed. Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., Nov. 27.—The apartments of Prof. and Mrs. Daniel M. Garrison, United States navy, who occupy a flat in Goldsborough row, at the Naval Academy, were burglarized last night, and the thief got away with valuables to the amount of about \$100. Only one person was in the house at the time, and the loss was not discovered until after the thief had made good his escape.

William G. Stokes Is Dead. Norfolk, Va., Nov. 27.—William G. Stokes, brother of Sylvanus Stokes, of Baltimore, died yesterday in Asheville, N.C., of consumption. Mr. Stokes was one time a wealthy citizen of Richmond, where he was in the city council. He met with financial reverses in later years, and had lived here for some time.

Mrs. Ida Yates Passes Away. Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 27.—Mrs. Ida Yates, widow of Rev. J. C. Yates, a former prominent minister of the Presbyterian Church, died to-day, aged fifty years. She was the daughter of Samuel K. Oswald, of this county, and a cousin of George B. Oswald, clerk of the Circuit Court.

Former Sheriff Wickert Is Dead. Westminster, Md., Nov. 27.—Samuel C. Wickert, formerly sheriff of Carroll county, died yesterday at the home of his son-in-law, Harry C. Albaugh, at Hanover, Pa., aged 65 years. He resided in this town until about three months ago.

JURY ACQUITS BRADLEY.

Former Constable of Bethesda District Has Trial for Bribery.

Special to The Washington Herald. Rockville, Md., Nov. 27.—Edward Bradley, formerly a constable of Bethesda district, to-day was found not guilty of the charge of bribery, as indicted.

In this case, with Judges James B. Henderson and John C. Motter on the bench, Walter H. Loveless, who is under indictment for selling intoxicating liquors in violation of the county law, was the only witness on the part of the State.

Loveless testified that on the night of January 2, 1906, Bradley came to his place, accompanied by Constable Peyton Whalen, Justice Loughborough, Mr. Henley, and two strangers. Bradley, according to the witness' testimony, threatened to arrest him for having had a prize fight at the Rock Spring Club on that evening.

Bradley had been continually after him for giving him a hearing. Loveless says his partner gave him \$10 to give Bradley, which sum he says he gave to the officer, when the latter and his crowd, except Justice Loughborough, went away.

Bradley denied ever demanding or receiving the bribe, and said that Loveless had trumped up the case because he, Bradley, had been continually after him for violating the laws of the county. Constable Peyton Whalen and Mr. Henley corroborated the defendant in his statement.

WEST VIRGINIA HILLS ABLAZE

Forest Fire in Great North Mountains Sweeps Over Seven Miles.

Effort to Check Spread Fails—Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Timber Destroyed.

Special to The Washington Herald. Winchester, Va., Nov. 27.—Fire is raging in the Great North Mountains, west of this city, and the flames have spread rapidly, and already an area of about seven miles has been burned. Farmers and mountaineers are making every effort to check the spread of the flames, but have been unable to accomplish but little.

The fire is on the line between Virginia and West Virginia, and is said to have been caused by hunters who were driving game over the West Virginia line.

Already thousands of dollars' worth of timber has been destroyed.

FOUND SLAIN IN BED.

Man Who Received \$50 in Settlement of Death Claim Killed by Robber.

Special to The Washington Herald. Newport News, Va., Nov. 27.—Douglas Courtney was found murdered in bed in a rear room over Charles Burton's saloon, on Cypress avenue, this morning. Robbery was the motive for the crime.

The murdered man, when discovered, was lying in a pool of blood, his battered head tightly jammed under the bureau. A stout pickaxe handle, the heavy end covered with blood, was found under the bed. The condition of the bed indicated that the fatal blow had been struck while he was asleep.

The law firm of Lett & Massey had just received a check for \$50 from the New York Central Railroad, which amount was Courtney's share of the settlement by the company because of the death of Courtney's son on the railroad.

This is the third murder that has been committed in the same neighborhood within the past year.

PICKPOCKET CONVICTED.

George Peters Is Found Guilty After Trial at Hagerstown.

Special to The Washington Herald. Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 27.—George Peters, a well-dressed youth of twenty-one, who has been in jail here since the Hagerstown fair in October, was convicted in this afternoon as a pickpocket. According to the evidence at the trial, Peters was arrested immediately after having picked the pocket of Sydney Hughes, on a crowded trolley car, en route from the fair grounds. Peters was sent back to jail pending sentence.

SIX DIE IN WATERSPOUT.

House at Falm Mountain Swept Away with its Occupants.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 27.—A waterspout, striking the side of the Falm Mountain, four miles from Norfolk, N. C., rushed down the mountainside, sweeping everything in its path. The house of R. C. Cornell, at the foot of the mountain, was carried away, and the occupants, three children, and two girl visitors were drowned. It occurred at 3 o'clock in the morning, when all were asleep.

Cornell was the only one in the house who escaped.

Seek Information Regarding Death.

Special to The Washington Herald. Newport News, Va., Nov. 27.—German Vice Consul Fred J. Gauntlett has been advised by the German government to ascertain the circumstances of the death here of John Frederick Sauer, whose grandfather in Germany has been advised that a considerable estate was left.

No one here knows anything about Sauer, except that he believed to have come here in 1888, when Collis B. Huntington took hold of the shipyard. Nothing is known as to property left by the man.

Three Hurt in Accident.

Special to The Washington Herald. Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 27.—Three men were hurt at the plant of the Chambersburg Engineering Company to-day. They are Harvey Holby, engineer, who will die; Charles L. Holcroft, superintendent of construction, and Wingert Alter, mechanic. The accident was due to an improvised track giving away under the weight of a dinky engine, the men being carried down a distance of twenty-five feet.

Licenses Issued at Rockville.

Special to The Washington Herald. Rockville, Md., Nov. 27.—Marriage licenses were issued here to-day to the following persons: Thomas Lyddane, son of Charles J. Lyddane, of Germantown, and Miss Emily S. Williams, of Poolesville; Robert St. Pierre, aged twenty-five years, and Lottie Best, aged eighteen years, both of Germantown.

Mary A. Smith Is Dead.

Winchester, Va., Nov. 27.—Mary A. Smith, daughter of the late Dr. Jack Smith, died at her home at Gore this afternoon, after a lingering illness, aged forty-five years. She is survived by one brother and one sister.

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NEW POLICE NAMED

Alexandria Officials Adopt Rules for Force.

FIREMEN WANT MORE MONEY

Members of Department Petition for Higher Pay Because Cost of Living Has Gone Up—Robert L. Monroe Elected as New Member of City Council—Other News Items.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU. (Bell Telephone 113.) Corner of Prince and Royal Streets.

Alexandria, Va., Nov. 27.—The board of police commissioners this evening elected Officer B. Frank Betts to the recently created position of second lieutenant of the force. Three privates were nominated, the other two being Officer John T. Roberts and former Sergeant James T. Smith. Under the new rules the second lieutenant will have practically the same duties to perform as those of the first lieutenant, but will only receive the compensation of a private. The stated purpose of the commissioners in providing for a second officer of that rank was to relieve the chief from the necessity of sharing in the routine duties of the supervision of the force. The chief will now be the executive head of the body. The new lieutenant has been a member of the force for the past thirty-four years, during which time he has never suffered a suspension. During the civil war he served with credit in the Confederate army. The commissioners this evening adopted the remaining sections of the new set of rules for the management of the force.

Monroe Elected to Council.

At the regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council this evening Robert L. Monroe was elected a member of the lower board to fill the vacancy in the Thirdward delegation caused by the resignation of Gardner L. Boothe. The election was unanimous.

The upper and lower boards went into joint session and elected the following to succeed themselves as members of the school board: C. R. Yates, first ward; G. William Ramsay, second ward; William F. Carne, third ward, and William B. Smoot, fourth ward.

An ordinance was introduced by Councilman Spinks providing that dealers in second-hand goods be required to keep a strict record of the circumstances of the purchase of any second-hand articles from persons other than licensed merchants; that copies of such records be furnished to the police before 11 o'clock each day, and that the books be open for inspection by the police at any time. A fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$10 was the penalty provided for violation of the ordinance. It was referred to the committee on general laws.

Firemen Want More Money.

Declaring that there has been an alarming increase in the cost of living, the paid employees of the city fire department presented a petition to the council for an increase in their salary. To support the appeal the petitioners referred to the salary they are now receiving, ranging from \$65 to \$75.

The request bore the indorsement of the board of fire wardens. It was referred to the committee on finance.

Council adopted the report of the committee on streets, recommending the appropriation of \$25 to resurface Patrick street between Princess and Oronoco streets.

BURGESS TO REPEAT LECTURE.

American Will Again Talk to Germans on Monroe Doctrine.

Berlin, Nov. 27.—It has been arranged that at the conclusion of his course of lectures here Prof. Burgess will proceed to the universities of Bonn, Leipzig, and Jena, where the course will be repeated. Prince August Wilhelm, fourth son of the Kaiser, has been directed to attend the course at Bonn.

Prof. Burgess was a guest at a dinner given last night by Baron von Tschirky and Boegendorff, minister of foreign affairs, to the American Tariff Commission.

It is now clear that the commissioners have been ordered to restrict their labors to dealing with the evidence supplied from official sources alone. They will not concern themselves with the grievances, if any, of the American exporters.

AUSTRIAN BARONESS ROBBED.

Woman Visiting in Mexico Has Jewelry Worth \$6,000 Stolen.

Mexico City, Nov. 27.—Baroness Ergatica, a visitor from Austria, has been robbed of diamonds and jewelry valued at \$6,000 at the Hotel Sienz, in this city.

The baroness put the jewelry in a sealed package, which she left in charge of the clerk.

On her return from a short trip she found the jewelry had been removed, and in its place were some old coins. The clerk is missing.

Hungary Angry at Servia.

Budapest, Nov. 27.—Servia may be severely punished by Hungary for fermenting an insurrection in Bosnia, where serious trouble is impending. The Servian government emphatically denies complicity in the uprising, but Premier Vekerly and Baron Achenath, of Hungary, say there is no doubt of the country's guilt, and propose to act together in making the plot an expensive one for the government.

Noted Polish Writer Is Dead.

Cracow, Nov. 27.—Julian Klaczko, the celebrated Polish writer, is dead. Klaczko became a contributor to the Revue des Deux Mondes in Paris in 1896. He has long advocated Polish restoration and a Franco-Austrian alliance. In 1893 he was a court counselor in the Austrian ministry of foreign affairs.

Barn Destroyed by Fire.

Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 27.—Fire early this morning destroyed the barn on the farm of Leonard Emmert, tenanted by Martin L. Smith, his son-in-law, near Boonsboro, causing a loss of \$2,500, partly covered by insurance.

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BELGIUM MAY LOSE KONGO.

Abuses in Africa Expected to Lead to European Complication.

Brussels, Nov. 27.—Belgian political leaders are becoming fearful that the Kongo situation may lead to a loss of their country's independence. This was pointed out to King Leopold at several recent conferences between the monarch and Ministers Naer and Henvel. Their idea is that a continuation of existing abuses may lead England to enter on a policy of coercion, which can hardly fail to lead to European complications constituting an imminent danger to Belgium itself.

DEFALCATION IN ECUADOR.

Minister of Finance Resigns After Large Shortage Is Found.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Nov. 27.—Senor Echanque, minister of finance, has resigned as the result of an interpellation in Parliament on the subject of the discovery of a defalcation, involving a large sum of money, in the finance department. The secretary of the government proposes to contract for a loan with the local banks in order to pay the interest due in December on the railway bonds. This action is taken as a result of the failure of the negotiations between the government and the French financial syndicate.

MASSACRE DELIBERATE PLOT

Jewish Relief Society Throws More Light on Siedloe Horror.

Claims Col. Litchanowski Expressly Appointed to Execute Slaughter. Staff Officer Sickened at Sight.

Berlin, Nov. 27.—In the hands of the German Central Jewish Relief Society is a sensational document, said to have been smuggled in, throwing a gruesome light on the action of the Czar's officials on the occasion of the September massacre. The report, if genuine, conclusively proves the massacre to have been organized by Col. Litchanowski, who appears to have been appointed "chief of the protective garrison" at Siedloe, expressly to plan a slaughter, ostensibly for the suppression of the revolutionists.

The colonel cut off the town from outside communication by stopping railroad traffic and the use of the telegraph and telephone wires, that he might the better conduct a search, he said, of the houses of revolutionists.

Then he arrested several leading citizens to be held as hostages and put to death. In carrying out the house-to-house search he is said to have done all in his power to provoke resistance, which his soldiers answered by bullets and cold steel.

It is charged that the commandant had the bands play, and urged the soldiers to riot after ransacking the wine and vodka shops to "keep up their spirits." When one of the members of his staff, sickened at the sight of blood, the colonel is said to have exclaimed, "Nonsense; the battle of Liouyang lasted twelve days."

The report is filled with shocking details of the heartlessness and skill with which the officers arranged for the murder of the Jews.

President Paul Nathan, of the Jewish Relief Society, has a copy of the report has been in Premier Stolypin's hands for two months, and that his failure to punish Litchanowski can be interpreted only as indicating his own complicity in the massacre or as inability to act against the guilty persons.

MR. HENSEY DIES SUDDENLY.

Prominent Citizen Passes Away in Emergency Hospital.

While walking along the street Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Thomas Hensey was suddenly attacked with cerebral hemorrhage, which resulted in his death at the Emergency Hospital last night at 7:45 o'clock.

Mr. Hensey was sixty-seven years of age, and had been prominently engaged in the real estate business in this city for the past twenty-five years. He was apparently enjoying perfect health when he left his home at 1532 Columbia road, Monday, and went to his office in the Colorado Building. In the afternoon he started out and had reached the sidewalk opposite 1208 E street, when he was suddenly overcome and sank to the pavement. Pedestrians rushed to his assistance, and an ambulance was called, and he was conveyed to the Emergency Hospital, where he remained in an unconscious state until his death.

Mrs. Hensey, wife of the deceased, and two of his sons, Alexander T. and Melville D. Hensey were at his bedside at the time of death. Two other sons, Walter B. and George N. Hensey, who live in New York, had been notified of their father's condition, and will arrive here to-day.

Mr. Hensey was for eighteen years located at Thirteenth and F streets north-west. He served as an officer in the civil war and has for many years been identified with the Loyal Legion in this city. He was at one time a member of the board of directors of the Business Men's Association, and was active in the Board of Trade. He was a member of the Lafayette Lodge, No. 13, F. A. M.

Capt. Henry was past national commander of the Army and Navy Union of the United States, a member of the Spanish War Veterans, Old Guard Camp, N. Y., and of the A. P. A. M. Members of these orders are invited to attend the funeral. Capt. Henry is survived by a widow and two small children.

Double Funeral for Sisters.

A double funeral took place at Holy Trinity Church, near Collingwood, Prince George County, Md., yesterday, when Mrs. Jane Kerr Duvall, wife of Dr. W. W. Duvall, was buried with her sister, Miss Isabel Mary Thompson.

The sisters had lived together for some time, and the death of Miss Thompson, who was three years older than Mrs. Duvall, took place thirty-six hours after that of her sister.

CONGRESSMEN AT ISLIP.

Committee Inspect Government Hospitals—To Take Testimony Later.

New York, Nov. 27.—Congressmen Olcott, Smiser, Wallace, and Barchfield, of the House Committee on Government Hospitals, visited the insane asylum at Islip, Long Island, to-day, and will inspect the asylum on Ward's Island, off the East River, to-morrow.

It has been decided that no testimony will be taken until the committee meets in Congressman Olcott's office the latter part of next week.

This evening Congressman Olcott entertained his colleagues at the theater.

\$50,000,000 PAPERS SIGNED.

Several Months Required to Complete Clerical Work.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 27.—The Girard Trust Company has finished the signing and sealing of the \$50,000,000 French loan, placed in Paris by the Pennsylvania Railroad, and on Thursday Samuel W. Morris, the assistant secretary of the Girard Trust Company, will sail for Paris to oversee the delivery of the issue to the French bankers.

The transaction involved a vast amount of detail work. There are 400,000 certificates of 500 francs denomination, and 20,000 certificates of 1,000 francs denomination. There were required for the execution of these certificates 1,200,000 signatures, and the affixing of 1,200,000 seals. The Girard Trust Company appointed ten additional assistant secretaries, who signed their names continuously each day for nearly two months, and four skilled representatives of the company were employed each day in counting and examining the certificates to avoid mistakes and omissions.

The certificates as completed for shipment to Paris weigh fourteen and a half tons.

HENRY BURCH BURIED

Last Rites Over Body of Hotel Man Held.

PROMINENT PEOPLE ATTEND

Army and Navy Men, with Whom Hotel Was Favorite Resort, Assist in Ceremonies—Washington Hotel Men's Association Adopts Resolutions Deploring Death of Member.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon impressive ceremonies were held in the main parlor of the Ebbitt House over the remains of the late Henry C. Burch, former proprietor of that hotel. Rev. Alfred Harding, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, officiated at the funeral services.

The honorary pallbearers were E. J. Stellwagen, Thomas M. Gale, W. S. Harban, George E. Hamilton, T. J. Talty, and A. S. Stouss. The active pallbearers were John L. M. March, M. R. Hamilton, and A. H. Reynolds. The active pallbearers were composed of former employees of the deceased.

The funeral was attended by a large number of the former business associates and friends of Mr. Burch, including many officials of the United States army and navy. Many handsome floral designs were in evidence as testimonials of esteem from friends of the deceased. The Ebbitt House has been for many years a favorite resort of army and navy men, and Mr. Burch enjoyed a wide acquaintance among this class of patrons.

A committee representing the Hotel Men's Association attended the funeral yesterday afternoon. It was composed of Messrs. T. J. Talty, of the Raleigh; O. G. Staples, of the Riggs House; Irving O. Bell, of the Hamilton, and F. S. Hight, of the New Willard.

FUNERAL OF FATHER MORGAN.

Last Services Will Be Held at St. Aloysius' Church To-day.

Funeral services will be held this morning at 7 o'clock in St. Aloysius' Church over the remains of Father John A. Morgan, whose death occurred Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at his home at North Capitol and I streets. Interment will take place in the Georgetown College Cemetery.

Although he had been ailing for many months, Father Morgan's death came as a great blow to his many friends in Washington. He had passed all last summer in Georgetown University Hospital, and as a result was much benefited in health. The cause of death was apoplexy.

Father Morgan was sixty-eight years of age, and was born in Leonardtown, Md., being a member of one of the oldest families of St. Mary's County. In 1866 he became a member of the Society of Jesus, and took the last vows ten years later. It is four years since he came to this city and began his work at St. Aloysius', after having been for many years president of the Loyola College, near Baltimore.

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